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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL RESEARCH PROJECT OF GRESHAM C. SMITH FROM
THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

ATTN: LABATT

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR WOULD APPRECIATE THE ASSISTANCE OF THE EMBASSY IN CONNECTION WITH A RESEARCH PROJECT BEING CARRIED OUT BY GRESHAM C. SMITH, DEPUTY ASSOCIATE SOLICITOR FOR LABOR RELATIONS AND CIVIL RIGHTS. MR. SMITH WAS AWARDED THE "SECRETARY OF LABOR'S CAREER SERVICE AWARD". THIS IS AN HONOR OCCASIONALLY BESTOWED UPON CAREER OFFICERS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR BY THE SECRETARY. MR. SMITH IS DEVOTING HIS AWARD TO A YEAR OF OVERSEAS STUDY AND TRAVEL. HE BEGAN HIS PROJECT IN OCTOBER 1973 AND HAS TRAVELED TO LONDON, KENYA, AND THE IVORY COAST. THE SOLICITOR'S OFFICE NOW INFORMS US HE WILL ADD AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND TO HIS ITINERARY. HE PLANS TO SPEND AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER IN THESE COUNTRIES WORKING ON HIS PROJECT (HIS EXACT TRAVEL PLANS ARE UNKNOWN BUT INDICATIONS ARE HE WILL LEAVE NAIROBI ON OR ABOUT AUGUST 12 FOR MELBOURNE).

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2. HIS PROJECT IS A COMPARATIVE STUDY OF THE NATIONAL POLICIES OF SEVERAL COUNTRIES CONCERNING THE EMPLOYMENT OF RACIAL AND ETHNIC MINORITIES. HE WILL PLACE PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON THE EMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS OF RECENT IMMIGRANTS, NON-CITIZENS, AND DISADVANTAGED MINORITY GROUPS.

3. YOUR ASSISTANCE IS REQUESTED PARTICULARLY IN IDENTIFYING APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS IN THE GOVERNMENT WHO ARE LIKELY TO BE ABLE TO SHED LIGHT ON THE SUBJECT OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT. MR. SMITH WILL BE CALLING ON YOU FOR ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING INTERVIEWS. WE UNDERSTAND HE HAS ALSO ASKED THAT HIS MAIL BE FORWARDED TO THESE COUNTRIES IN CARE OF THE LABATT. KISSINGER

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